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Construction blasting complete on US 93 near Hoover Dam New four-lane highway on schedule for late 2010 completion

KINGMAN – The Arizona Department of Transportation has wrapped up blasting operations along US 93 near Hoover Dam. Since September 2009, drivers have experienced travel delays during blasting activities on US 93. Thirty-eight blasts took place throughout the project, using over 172 tons of explosives.

"We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their patience as they traveled this stretch of highway over the last few months," said ADOT District Engineer Mike Kondelis.

Now that blasting and earthwork operations are complete, crews will continue paving the new roadway. Work also continues on the bridges, overlooks, and White Rock Trailhead. Those traveling through the project limits will also notice the progress on the nation's first wildlife crossing bridges at mile markers 3.3, 5.1, and 12.2.

As construction work continues along the 15-mile-long widening project, which will create a safer four-lane divided highway, motorists are asked to be aware of the nopassing zones and reduced speed limits. When finished, the wider highway will connect to the Hoover Dam Bypass Bridge project, which is slated for completion late this year.

For more information about the US 93 widening project, call the project hotline at 1-888-887-0565. Information about highway closures and restrictions across Arizona is available via ADOT's Travel Information site at www.az511.gov or by calling 5-1-1.